

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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QUALITY OF HOUSES UNDER IAY

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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether number of houses constructed under Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) is less than the target, reflecting the tardy progress of the scheme during the last financial year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to meet the set target in time bound manner in the year 2010-11
- (d) whether field visits conducted by the experts/ National Level Monitors (NLMs) have revealed that the quality of houses constructed under IAY in the country is substandard;
- (e) if so, the details thereof indicating the name of States where maximum cases of substandard quality of houses have been noticed; and
- (f) the steps being taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN 'ADITYA')

(a) & (b): During the year, 2008-09, 21.34 lakh houses were constructed against physical target for construction of 21.27 lakh houses (100.32%). However, during last year 2009-10, as per the progress reports received so far online, 32.79 lakh houses have been completed against the physical target of 40.52 lakh houses. In addition, 22.97 lakh houses are under construction. The reports for the month of March, 2010 are still not finalized. This shortfall is mainly because of the fact that due to General Elections to the 15th Lok Sabha, Model Code of Conduct was imposed from 01-03-2009 which remained in force till 16-05-2009. During this period the work relating to implementation of IAY remained suspended.

(c): To ensure that the target are achieved, periodical meetings of Coordinating Officers of the States, Performance Review Meetings, etc. are held and this practice is going to be followed for achieving the targets set for 2010-11 also.

(d) & (e): During the year 2009, the National Level Monitors had verified 10173 houses in 2387 village of 249 districts across the country and found that 5.81% houses constructed were excellent, 67.37% good, 24.66% average and the quality of only 2.16 % houses was found as poor. Large number of IAY houses in Adilabad district of Andhra Pradesh, East Khasi Hills district of Meghalaya and Chamoli district of Uttarakhand were found to be of poor quality.

(f): The State Governments are advised from time to time to ensure that good quality houses are constructed under IAY. A Task Force was set up to suggest ways for improving the quality of the IAY houses. The recommendations of the Task Force have been circulated to all the States/UTs for implementation. A Workshop on the subject was also held on 27th-28th April, in which Secretaries (RD) of all States were also invited.